

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, wherein the liquefied gas is liquefied nitrogen.
3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, further comprising heating the container to prevent the ice cream product from freezing to the container.
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, wherein the step of mechanically mixing comprises mechanically mixing the liquefied gas with the ingredients using a mixing element of a powered mixer.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, wherein the ingredients and the liquefied gas are mixed in a disposable container.
7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the disposable container containing the mixed frozen ingredients is passed to a customer.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, wherein the step of mixing comprises mixing in sufficient liquefied gas to surround at least most of the container.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, further comprising deflecting laterally, slightly above the top of the container, vapor rising from the container.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, further comprising positioning the container in a place in a food service establishment where the vapor is visible to a customer.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[1]] 25, further comprising positioning the container in a place in a food service establishment where the vapor can be touched by a customer.

12-24. (Cancelled)

25. (New) A method of making an ice cream product, comprising:
placing ingredients of the ice cream product into a container having an open top;
selectively introducing a cryogenic liquefied gas into the container through the open top using a control valve; and

mechanically mixing the ingredients with the liquefied gas in the open top container to produce the ice cream product;

wherein a sufficient amount of the liquefied gas is introduced into the container to produce a visible amount of cryogenic vapor flowing from the open top of the container.

26. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the ingredients of the ice cream product include solid ingredients, and the step of mechanically mixing includes mixing the solid ingredients in the open-top container.

27. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein the solid ingredients comprise at least one of frozen fruit and hard candy.

28. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the step of selectively introducing a cryogenic liquefied gas into the container comprises dispensing the liquefied gas from a cryogenic tank through a line having an opening mounted above the open top of the container.